

# Alexandria Gazette.

MONDAY EVENING, FEB. 8, 1897.

## LOCAL MATTERS.

**WEATHER PROBABILITIES.**—For this section snow or rain; clearing by Tuesday morning; generally fair Tuesday; northwesterly winds; slightly colder.

**HARRY SIMPSON'S CASE.**—As stated in the GAZETTE on Saturday Mr. Chas. Bendheim and others went to Richmond that day to ask the Governor to commute the sentence of Harry Simpson, convicted of robbery, from a penitentiary to a jail imprisonment.

The Richmond Times, in reference to the matter, says:

"Hon. William H. May, of Alexandria, the present representative of that city and county in the House of Delegates, together with Messrs. Samuel Brent and Eugene Taylor, of Alexandria, called on Governor O'Ferrall at 4 o'clock, and requested him to commute the sentence of Harry Simpson, from their city, who was convicted last week of larceny from the person. He was sentenced to one year in the penitentiary, and the Governor has been requested to allow Simpson to serve only ninety days in jail. In speaking of this case Mr. May said yesterday that Simpson was charged with stealing about \$700 from a man from Washington. The party who lost the money, said that he gave it to Simpson to keep, and that both subsequently became intoxicated. Afterwards the party who claimed to have been robbed, swore out a warrant while he was drunk. A petition on behalf of Simpson was presented to the Governor, which was signed by the jury and many interested in the case. The Governor listened to the argument made by his visitors, and took the matter under advisement."

The delegation returned from Richmond Saturday night. They say the Governor promised them, after he communicated with Judge Norton and Commonwealth's Attorney Marbury, of this city, to commute the sentence to ninety days in the city jail. Some of the delegation are of the opinion that he may possibly pardon the prisoner.

**OPERA HOUSE.**—Harry Kramer, the trick bicycle rider of the world and an Alexandria boy, will be given a benefit at the Opera House Wednesday night. Mr. Kramer does some very daring tricks on the wheel and has delighted the people of many cities by his clever riding. He will be assisted by a strong company, including singing and dancing comedians, acrobats and other high class performers.

The Wilkes-Barre, Pa., Leader says of Rev. Dr. Stafford who will lecture in this city Friday night: "Dr. Stafford is a wonderful platform speaker. He has clear, distinct utterance; great elocutionary and dramatic power, a rare grace and fertility of gesture. Add to this a fine stage presence and a mysterious something that makes the subject and the characters alive and you have a remarkable man."

The Burglar, a playsome what different from the usual order of dramatic offering, will be seen at the Opera House Saturday night. The young and old, rich and those less favored with the world's goods, are equally absorbed with the story. In a home of wealth and refinement are all the scenes enacted, where the burglary is attempted, and frustrated by the artless endeavors of a bright child of six years.

**POLICE COURT.**—The following cases were disposed of this morning:

James Beal, colored, arrested by Officer Knight charged with an assault on Wm. Miller, was dismissed.

Edward Dudley, colored, arrested by Officers Sherwood and Arrington charged with assaulting Robert Ashby, colored, was dismissed.

Roland White, colored, arrested by Officers Goods and Roberts for escaping from the chain gang had 20 days added to his sentence.

James Lewis, colored, arrested by Officer Proctor for drunken and disorderly conduct, was fined \$3, and in default of payment sent to the chain gang.

A man, charged with threatening language toward his wife, was dismissed, the charge being withdrawn.

W. H. Dolphin, a colored boy, arrested by Officer Ferguson for vagrancy, was sent to Washington whence he came.

Harrie Davis, colored, arrested by Officers Pettis and Knight for assaulting Lula Banks, colored, was fined \$3.

**Night Court.**—Last night was cloudy and cold. Five prisoners and sixteen lodgers were at the station house.

**HELD UP.**—Mr. G. W. Tyler, of this city, was held up and robbed while on his way to the alms house about six o'clock yesterday morning. Mr. Tyler is employed at the alms house, and leaves home at an early hour in the morning. Yesterday he started as usual, following the Washington Southern Railway tracks. When a short distance beyond the city limits he was stopped by three negroes, who ordered him to hold up his hands. They then went through his pockets, taking therefrom \$15 all the money he had. Mr. Tyler returned to this city and reported the matter at the station house, and Officers Atkinson and Lyles went in pursuit of the footpads. Later in the day they arrested three negroes near Jackson City and brought them here, but Mr. Tyler was unable to identify either of them.

**CASES DISMISSED.**—In the Corporation Court this morning a nolle prosequi was entered in the case of Ernest Travers, charged with breaking into and robbing a railroad car, also with stealing a gold watch from Harry Smoot. A nolle prosequi was also entered in the case of Mrs. Margaret Alexander, who had been convicted in the Police Court of selling gin and whisky on a malt liquor license. The Commonwealth's Attorney was of the opinion that the evidence was not sufficient to convict Travers of either charge. The case of Mrs. Alexander was on an appeal from the Police Court. It was found that there was an omission in the indictment as prepared by the lower court, the place of business not having been stated.

**CONCERT.**—As will be seen by the advertisement in another column, there will be a musical and literary entertainment given in the lecture room of the First Baptist Church on Thursday evening, the 11th. The object of the evening is to raise money for the purchase of a new organ. Some of the best talent of this city and Washington have been secured and a pleasant evening is promised to all who attend. The programme to be presented will appear in the issue of to-morrow.

**PERSONAL.**—Mrs. Julia Lindsey is critically ill at her home on south Lee street.

Mrs. Anne Lawson, of Wytheville, is visiting in this city.

Miss Lucy Thornton, of Fauquier, is the guest of Miss Smoot.

On Wednesday last Mr. John T. Hyde, of Prince William and Miss Daisy White, of Fauquier, with many friends boarded the train at Thoroughfare and Alexandria and were united in holy matrimony. We understand they are to take a trip through southern Virginia and return to Alexandria, their future home, where Mr. Hyde is in business. We wish them a long and happy life.—*Warrenton Index.*

Col. Jno. S. Mosby is again the guest of Mr. and Mrs. R. R. Campbell, in Warrenton.

Mr. Morgan Davis will leave here Wednesday next for Norfolk, Phoebus, and Hampton on business for the Robt. Porter Brewing Company.

Miss Rosa Samuels, of Baltimore, is visiting the Misses Genzberger, on Wolfe street.

The Misses Schoepf, of Hyattsville, Md., will give a luncheon on Wednesday, in honor of their guest, Miss Julia Houck, of this city.

**THE RIVER.**—There is no stationary ice in the river, but the channel is filled with floating ice from above and navigation is somewhat interfered with. A gorge formed yesterday evening at the mouth of the Eastern branch and the ferryboat Columbia on one of her trips from this city being unable to force a way through it returned to this city, but made her next trip. The steamer Wakfield, which left on Friday for the lower river, returned last night, having laid in Cone river Saturday night. She reported much ice in the lower river and high winds on Saturday. The ferry steamer Belle Haven will probably resume her trips to-morrow. The steamer Randall resumed her trips to the lower river landings yesterday. The current in the river is quite strong and some debris is coming down with the floating ice. The tides to-day were quite high, but no damage was done.

**CORPORATION COURT.**—Judge J. K. M. Norton presiding.—Com. vs. Ernest Travers, indicted for breaking into a railroad car; nolle prosequi entered.

Com. vs. Ernest Travers, indicted for stealing a watch; nolle prosequi entered.

Com. vs. Margaret Alexander, indicted for selling whisky without license; nolle prosequi entered.

Mr. Harry Smoot, against whom a rule had been issued requiring him to show cause why he should not forfeit his bond of \$100 for non-appearance at the Mayor's office as a witness, appeared and the rule was dismissed and Mr. Smoot discharged.

A license was granted to Paul Bihler to sell liquor.

The case of Jas. Reed, indicted for larceny, was set for trial to-morrow and that of Joseph Clark, for attempted rape, for Wednesday.

**YESTERDAY.**—The weather yesterday morning was mild and the sun shown bright. About noon, however, a strong wind sprang up and the remainder of the day was cloudy and blustery. The churches were well attended. Rev. J. D. Kinzer, D. D., president of the Maryland Annual Conference of the Methodist Episcopal Church, preached an eloquent sermon at eleven o'clock in the M. P. Church, and Rev. A. P. Saunders, of Fredericksburg, occupied the pulpit in the Second Presbyterian Church at both morning and evening services. Rev. C. E. Grammer preached at St. Paul's Church in the morning and Rev. Mr. Lamb, of Philadelphia, preached in the evening. The other pulpits were occupied by the resident clergy. The quarterly conference services of the Free Methodists was held in the church on south Lee street, and was conducted by Rev. A. G. Miller, of Phillipsburg, N. J.

**JAIL INSPECTION.**—Dr. Purvis and Messrs. Moore and Boothe to-day filed the quarterly report of their inspection of the jail. There are now 52 prisoners in jail—11 white males, 3 colored females and 38 colored males. The inspectors report the jail and cells in good condition, but that the entire building needs white-washing. The water supply is inadequate and should be increased.

**THE WEATHER.** which was bright and crisp yesterday, underwent a change during the night and this morning threatening conditions prevailed. Snow began to fall shortly after 8 o'clock, and it continued to do so at intervals throughout the morning. The ground has been wet and the snow has mostly melted as fast as it has fallen. In the afternoon the sun shone for a short time.

**TORN BY A DOG.**—A white woman named Lizzie Hicks was seriously torn by a vicious dog on Oronoco street, near Patrick, this morning. The animal belonged to a man named Simms, and it was immediately killed. The woman was taken to the Infirmary for treatment.

**BRIDGE DAMAGED.**—The heavy current and ice in the Shenandoah river carried away several spans of the bridge at Riverton, on the Southern Railway, on Saturday evening, but the bridge has been so far repaired that trains passed over it to-day.

**Old People.**

Old people who require medicine to regulate the bowels and kidneys will find the true remedy in Electric Bitters. This medicine does not stimulate and contains no whiskey nor other intoxicant, but acts as a tonic and alterative. It acts mildly on the stomach and bowels, adding strength and giving tone to the organs, thereby aiding Nature in the performance of the functions. Electric Bitters is an excellent appetizer and aids digestion. Old people find it just exactly what they need. Price fifty cents and \$1.00 per bottle at E. L. Allen's Drug Store.

**Grasp This Opportunity.**

On receipt of ten cents cash or stamps, a generous sample will be mailed of the most popular Catarrh and Hay Fever Cure, (Ely's Cream Balm) sufficient to demonstrate its great merit. Full size 50c.

**ELY BROTHERS.**

56 Warren Street, New York City.

I was afflicted with catarrh last autumn. During the month of October I could neither taste nor smell and could hear but little. Ely's Cream Balm cured me. Marcus Geo. Shantz, Rahway, N. J.

**A REGULAR MEETING OF THE BUSINESS MEN'S LEAGUE** will be held at the rooms of the league THIS EVENING at 8 o'clock.

M. B. HARLOW, President.

WM. F. CARNE, Secretary.

## AMUSEMENTS.

### GRAND

Musical and Literary Entertainment.

To be Given at the

FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH.

Alexandria, Va.,

THURSDAY EVENING, FEB. 11TH.

TICKETS : : : : 15 CENTS.

### NEW OPERA HOUSE.

SATURDAY NIGHT, FEB. 13,

A Famous Play.

### THE BURGLAR.

100 Nights in New York City at the Madison Square Theatre.

Mr. Augustus Thomas's Four Act Comedy Drama, From the Story of

EDITHA'S BURGLAR.

By Mrs. Frances Hodgson Burnett.

DIRECTION OF A. Q. SCAMMON.

POPULAR PRICES : : 25, 35 &amp; 50 CTS

Reserved Seats on sale at Warfield's.

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### OPERA HOUSE.

One Night Only.

WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 10TH.

Testimonial Benefit Tendered to

### HARRY KRAMER.

of Alexandria, the Champion Trick Bicycle Rider of the World, assisted by

TWENTY ARTISTS, including Singing and Dancing Comedians, Acrobats and High-Class Performers.

EVERYTHING FIRST CLASS.

Kramer was for 40 weeks a feature of the

Eight Bells Company, and is one of the recognized artists in his profession.

PRICES : : 10, 20 AND 30 CTS.

Reserved seats on sale at Warfield's.

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### Lecture on Mexico

DR. BROWN will deliver his lecture on

his "Tour of Four Thousand Miles Through the Republic of Mexico" at the Opera House

on TUESDAY NIGHT, February 9th, at 8 p. m., under the auspices of E. E. Lee

Camp, Confederate Veterans. All ladies and gentlemen are cordially invited to attend.

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### LECTURE.

DICKENS, HIS POWER AND PATHOS.

By REV. D. J. STAFFORD, D. D.

OPERA HOUSE.

FRIDAY, FEB. 12, 1897, at 8 P. M.

Under the Auspices of the Y. M. S. L.

General Admission, 35c.

Reserved Seats, 50c.

Reserved Tickets on sale at Edgar

Warfield's, Jr., Drug Store.

### OPERA HOUSE.

ILLUSTRATED LECTURE

—ON—

### Ben Hur,

—BY—

MR. JOHN P. CLUM, of California.

130 MAGNIFICENT VIEWS.

THURSDAY, FEB. 11TH.

TICKETS:—Reserved Seats, 35c; General

Admission, 25c. feb 4 1w

### LOCAL BREVITIES.

Belle Haven Council, Jr. O. U. A. M.,

meets to-night.

There will be no public celebration

of the 22d of February in this city.

The monthly meeting of the Business

Men's League will be held to-night.

The local council of the St. Andrew's

Brotherhood will meet to-morrow

night at St. Paul's Church.

The E. &amp; O. R. E. transfer tug has

resumed the nightly trips which were

suspended during the recent freeze.

A regular meeting of M. D. Corse

Camp, Sons of Confederate Veterans,

will be held to-morrow night at eight

o'clock.

The firm of Monroe &amp; Tomlin, painters,

will be dissolved on the 15th and

Mr. J. M. Monroe will carry on the

business.

A snake about three feet long was

killed by some small boys at the intersection

of Gibbon and Royal streets yesterday

afternoon.

A postponed regular meeting of the

Woman's Auxiliary Association of R. E. Lee

Camp will be held in Lee Camp Hall to-morrow

at 3 p. m.

Mrs. Ann Bladen, widow of Mr. Chas.

Bladen, of this city, died in Washington

on Saturday. Her remains were brought

here this evening for interment.

Capt. James Elliott's vessel has arrived

from Jackson's Creek with a load

of fine salt water oysters from that

creek. The vessel is now at the oyster

dock.

Invitations have been issued for the

dancing reception of the Mirth Pleasure

Club at McBurney's Hall on the 18th

instant. Dancing will commence at

9 p. m.

The entertainment at the Opera

House on Saturday night by Gorton's

minstrels was not very largely attended,

nor was the performance up to expectations.

At a meeting of O'Kane Council, No.

434, C. B. L., held yesterday afternoon

in St. Mary's Hall, five applicants were

admitted to membership in the order

and much routine business was transacted.

A young white man named John W.

Bowers, from Richmond, was drowned

at Colonial Beach Tuesday in attempting

to take a barrel of water in a leaky

boat to a dredge vessel on which he

was employed.

As the fourth Monday in February

falls on the 22d, a legal holiday, Judge

Chichester of the County Court has

notified Clerk H. H. Young that the

February term of that court will begin

on Tuesday, the 23d.

In attempting to reach the shore

from a vessel in Machodoc Creek, by

walking on the ice during the freeze-

up, two dredgers, one a white man and

the other colored, broke in and were

drowned one day last week.

The regular meeting of the Board of

Managers of the Alexandria Infirmary

will be held to-morrow, Tuesday, morning,

at 11 o'clock, at the Infirmary. This

meeting was to have been held on

Saturday, but the storm prevented.

Another lamp which had been placed

on a pile of gas pipes on upper King

street was stolen last night, making

four stolen during the past few weeks.

A lamp was also stolen on Saturday

night from Mr. F. L. Entwistle's wagon

in front of his store.

Part of the railing and some of the

## DRY GOODS.

Woodward &amp; Lothrop.

10th, 11th and F Sts., N. W.

Our present business hours are 8:15 to

5:30.

Valentines and Favors for Valentine

Parties—First floor.

We have pleasure in announcing the arrival of Early

Spring Styles in

Women's Suits and Separate Skirts.

And name as a specially

good value a line of Homespun

and Cheviot Tailor-made Suits,

strictly all wool and very fine

quality, silk lined throughout,

velvet-bound skirt, stylish fly-

front jacket. A very handsome

garment.

\$17.00 the Suit.

In Tailor-made Separate Skirts.

We have without doubt the largest and

best assortment ever shown in this city. The

newest effects in the most stylish Silks

and Cloths. Special attention is called to the

following excellent values:

AT \$7.75 EACH: Skirts of All-wool Serge;

full flare; peraline lined; velvet bound.

AT \$4.50 AND \$5.00 EACH: Skirts of

All-wool Cheviot Serge; tailor made; full flare;

peraline lined; velvet bound; perfect hang-

ing.

AT \$5.00 EACH: Skirts of Plain Brilliant

and Figured Mohair; extra fine quality;

new and effective pattern; peraline lined;

velvet bound.

AT \$3.95 EACH: Skirts of Plain and Plaid

Novelty Cloths in all the newest shades; per-

caline lined; velvet bound.

AT \$2.75 TO \$10.00 EACH: Skirts of

handsome Satin and Broadcloth Gros Grain;

perfect hanging; peraline lined; velvet bound.

An array of rich and beautiful garments.

AT \$15.00 TO \$50.00 EACH: Skirts of

elegant Satins, Moires, Brocades and fancy

effects; silk and peraline lined; tailored in a

superior manner. A line of exquisitely beautiful

garments.

### HOUSEKEEPING SUPPLIES.

In placing orders for this season's supply

of Linens and other House-keeping Goods we

reached out farther and went deeper into the

manufacturing world for whatever is necessary

for your